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PRICE \$1 PER MONTH

SHIPPING.

ARRIVALS.

December 16, KWONGSAM, British steamer, 1,000, W. H. Jackson, Shanghai 13th Dec., General JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
December 17, SWATOW, British steamer, 703, Whittle, Whampoa 17th December, General BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
December 17, D'ESTAING, French cruiser, Condebourg, Taiwan-fu 15th December.
December 17, CHATEAU RENAUD, French corv., Boulogne, Kowloon 14th December.
December 17, STROCH, German gunboat, Mothai Amoy 15th Dec.
December 17, WAGNER, German schooner, 397, A. Dibber, Amoy 15th Dec., Ballast.
WILLER & CO., British steamer, 322, G. Wright, Haiphong 15th Dec., General A. R. MARTY.

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOUR MASTER'S OFFICE.
17TH DECEMBER.

Kowloon, British str., for Shanghai.
Zafiro, British str., for Amoy.
Signal, German str., for Holkow.
Monkut, British str., for Bangkok.
Iota, British str., for Port-Darwin.

DEPARTURES.

December 17, EZEAN, British steamer, for Saigon.
December 17, FU-SHUN, American steamer, for Shanghai.

December 17, SWATOR, British str., for Swatow.
December 17, KWOSHUNG, British steamer, for Shanghai.

December 17, GENARTNEY, British steamer, for Shanghai.

December 17, VOLGA, French steamer, for Yokohama.

December 17, IOLANI, British steamer, for Port Darwin.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVED.
Per Kowloon, str., from Shanghai.—Mr. Coates, and 30 Chinese.
For Soletz, str., from Haiphong.—4 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The British steamer Kowongshau reports left Shanghai on the 13th inst., and had S.W. breeze and fine weather.

AMO SHIPPING.

December 17, ARRIVALS.
4. Douglas, British str., from Foochow.
4. Teucer, British str., from Shanghai.
4. Toton, British bark, from Shanghai.
6. Zafiro, British str., from Hongkong.
6. Moncayo, Amer. str., from Kwangtung.
6. Kungpui, Amer. str., from Swatow.
6. Foo Sia, Japanese frigate, from Hongkong.
6. Nansen, British str., from Hongkong.
6. Stosch, German frigate, from Shanghai.
6. Chefoo, British str., from Shanghai.
6. Emay, Spanish str., from Hongkong.
6. Marie, German str., from Hongkong.
7. Hugo & Otto, Nor. bark, from Kobe.
7. Alina Deutschtann, Ger. 3-m. sch., from Bork, British steamer, from Hongkong.
7. Julia, Spanish str., from Hongkong.
7. Itala, German gunboat, from a cruise.
10. Glenagles, British str., from Foochow.
December 17, DEPARTURES.
3. Tientien, British str., for Shanghai.
5. Dongas, British str., for Foochow.
5. Pioneer, British str., for Swatow.
5. Lark, British str., for Singapore.
5. Star, British str., for Hongkong.
5. Teucer, British str., for Swatow.
5. Moncayo, British str., for Manila.
5. Maris, German str., for Manila.
5. Chefoo, British str., for Swatow.
9. Itala, German gunboat, for a cruise.
9. Hilda, British sch., for Nagasaki.
9. Francaise, German bark, for Hongkong.
10. Foo Sia, Japanese frigate, for Japan.
10. Joham, German sch., for Nagasaki.

POOCHEW SHIPPING.

November 20, ARRIVALS.
30. Douglas, British str., from Hongkong.

December 1, Tener, British str., from Shanghai.
4. Hsia-hsin, Amer. str., from Shanghai.

December 2, Taku, British str., for Shanghai.
3. Douglas, British str., for Hongkong.
3. Tener, British str., for London.
3. Kwangtung, British str., for Hongkong.

VESSELS ARRIVED IN EUROPE FROM PORTS IN CHINA, JAPAN, AND MANILA.

(For last Mail's Advice.)
Peronia (s.) Oct. 26
Stonor (s.) Oct. 21
Glamis Castle (s.) Nov. 3
Bengie (s.) Nov. 3
Antenor (s.) Nov. 5
Esmeralda Nov. 6

VESSELS EXPECTED AT HONGKONG.

(Corresponding to Date.)
Commodore June 19
Elizabeth July 25
Invincible Aug. 4
Ellis, Nicholson Aug. 18
Tytia Sept. 3
Chandernager Sept. 13
Isabel Sept. 24
Jewell (s.) Sept. 25
Myslak Sept. 27
Deutschland Oct. 8
H.R.M.S. Cyrenian Oct. 11
Pembroke (s.) Oct. 12
Tegnegrava (s.) Oct. 14
John Knox (s.) Oct. 16
Audra Oct. 18
Bathurst (s.) Oct. 25
Strathaird (s.) Oct. 26
Harina Maru (s.) Oct. 26
Barbaric (s.) Oct. 27
Hindostan Oct. 30
Bevanne (s.) Oct. 31
Leroux (s.) Oct. 31
Birman Wool Nov. 1
Patricius (s.) Nov. 4

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HONGKONG, DECEMBER 18TH, 1884.

THE "burning question" in the Hawaiian Islands is still that of immigration. The population is so scanty, and the natives show such manifest indications of gradual extinction, having declined from 200,000 to less than 45,000, while the labour supply is so inadequate, that the Government are never able to lose sight of the labour difficulty. At one time there seemed every prospect of the question being solved without trouble or expense to the authorities by the rapid and continuous influx of Chinese, but the immigration from the Central Kingdom was on so large a scale that the native European, and American inhabitants of the islands at length became alarmed lest the country should eventually subside into a mere Chinese colony, and when the Celestial visitors at length brought with them the small-pox, which proved a sad fatal scourge among the natives, a loud and energetic outcry against Chinese immigration was raised, in response to which the Government took steps to limit the influx of the sons of Han. The restrictions imposed by the Hawaiian Legislature caused a virtual suspension of the immigration from China, and the Hawaiian planters have since been seeking for labourers from various quarters, it being deemed advisable to introduce several different nationalities. The last immigration was that of 125 natives of the New Hebrides; but the ship was much smaller than was anticipated, and the expense of the immigrants per capita much beyond the amount calculated. This source of supply is therefore not regarded with favour. Fortunately from the shores have proved very acceptable immigrants, and during the year 1883 no less than 1,524 arrived in the islands. These consisted of entire families, who may be regarded as permanent settlers, and will help to swell the population by natural increase. The Planters' Labour and Supply Company, in their annual report, say, referring to these people:—"As a whole they have proved a good class of immigrants, but in some respects the terms of the contracts have not been satisfactory to the employers, changes having been made in some of the provisions which were not contemplated. The large expense for passages and high rate of wages for the Portuguese, together with the fact of the large numbers of this class in the country, have operated to lessen the demand for them." Efforts are now being made to procure a supply of Japanese labourers, and a thousand of them will probably soon sail for Honolulu, the permission of Mikado's Government having been obtained; but from what we read in the Japanese papers it seems rather difficult to secure men who can pass the requisite medical examination, and it is unlikely that the extensive immigration into Hawaii will prove extensive. That the Hawaiian planters are beginning to turn their eyes once more on the never failing supply of excellent workers who swarm in the Flowered Land, as a resource in case of need, is obvious from the following passage in their report above quoted:—"While all recognize the necessity for a wholesome control of this immigration, the majority of the planters feel that the complete interruption of it is a mistake. Numerous petitions have been presented to the Board of Immigration, signed by planters from all parts of the islands, requesting that further immigration of Chinese be permitted until the demand for labour be supplied. These petitions were prepared by the Hawaiian Planters' Association, and were largely endorsed by planters on the several islands. While the advent of an overwhelming number of Chinese would be most objectionable, it seems desirable that a reasonable number should be permitted to come from time to time to regulate the excessively high wages now demanded by Chinese. Large numbers of Chinese are constantly returning to China, which has a material effect on the available number remaining." The fears lest the Chinese should become the predominant race in the islands seem therefore to be subsiding to some degree, it being considered possible that the balance has been to some extent adjusted. In 1882 the estimated population of the islands was 66,895, of whom 12,804 were Chinese, about 7,000 Europeans and Americans, and 8,500 half-castes, the balance being natives. Since that date there has been virtually no Chinese immigration, while there has been a considerable outflow to China. On the other hand, about 2,000 other immigrants have arrived, and others are expected. The Hawaiian planters consequently seem to have come to the conclusion that Chinese immigration on a moderate scale may safely be resumed.

The French cruiser *D'Estrée*, Captain Colombeau, from Taku-wan-fu on the 15th instant arrived here yesterday morning.

The French corvette *Oiseau Rendu*, Captain Bohman, arrived here yesterday morning from Kowloon, which port she left on the 14th instant.

All the ladies who have been attending the Ladies' lectures in connection with the St. John's Ambulance Association are requested to attend this morning at the City Hall.

As will be seen by the announcement on our front page, "The Snowdrops" will give their second entertainment of the season in the Theatre Royal, City Hall, on Saturday, the 27th instant.

Work on the steel cruiser built at the Kiang-nan Arsenal will be completed within a few days, and the ship will be ready for sea. The *Shanghai Courier* hears she will be sent on to Foochow as soon as her armament is in board.

The British steamers *Kong Lung* and *Naples* will be discharged from the Kowloon and Cosmopolitan ports respectively to-day, and the British steamer *Auric* and the British barque *Catalina* will; also the following minute by the Governor respecting the finances of the colony:—

In my speech at the opening of the Session of the Legislative Council on the 3rd instant I informed the members of the House of Assembly of the financial position of the colony as regards the estimates for 1885.

Such revision has now been made and a revised copy of the estimates is now ready for consideration by the Council.

It has been deemed prudent to reduce the estimate of Revenue from the amount originally stated \$1,212,181 1,035,000

that is to say 187,182

and that will be maintained for June last.

As far as the expenditure is concerned, the first place to increase the amount by certain items of which have been voted by the Council while the majority of the colony has become apparent.

These items added to the original estimate will bring the total amount from \$1,150,200 to \$1,173,212. On laying the estimates before the Council in June it was agreed that the estimated extraordinary public expenditure for the year 1885 should be proposed to the House of Assembly to meet the additional collection of money to do so, and that the same would be postponed till the present Session of Council.

This estimate is now laid on the table and the Committee appointed to consider the different items of expenditure will be called to account.

It is estimated that the amount of accumulated balance of the Admiralty Fund will be \$1,067,300. The balance will therefore be available for the payment of next year. But before that time is up it is proposed that a sum of \$1,000,000 should be sanctioned to continue the work of an extraordinary nature during the following period.

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We take the subjoined paragraph from the *Calcutta* of the 12th inst.:—"Telegraphic news have been received stating that the French are being besieged at Hung Hoa and Fu Yuan Kuan, under command of the Fanta of the Chinese Legation at Canton. Also that the advanced guard of H. E. P. G. M. had reached Hanoi and the vicinity of Haiphong. The French are keeping off the defences. The telegram was presumably received at Shanghai through Chinese sources, probably by the *Shen-pao*. It would be an advantage to readers of the *Courier* if that journal would indicate from whence such information is derived, and refer to the source of it.

The *Shanghai Courier* of the 12th instant has the following:—"Things in Korea are not progressing with perfect smoothness. There is a widespread feeling against the Chinese in Korea, and a strong desire to oust them, mainly on account of their depredations. A large party of the Koreans are patriotic enough to wish to be independent of any foreign protection, and they are assisted by the Japanese, who would gladly see transferred to themselves the position which the Chinese now hold in the country. When the last steamer left there was a whispered story that a rising against the Chinese was imminent, and this probably took active shape by this time. But the Chinese have a considerable military force in the country, and the Korean army is said to be weak."

At the annual meeting of the District Grand Lodge of Hongkong and South China held last Friday, C. P. Chinn appointed Master Right Worshipful Brother H. E. W. L. Mallory, who is the advanced guard of H. E. P. G. M. to have charge of the *Calcutta*, and another to Captain T. W. Churchill, of the Canadian ship *Severn*, in recognition of his services in rescuing the crew of the American brig *Jeanie Morton* at sea, February 9th, 1882." The *Calcutta* is now in this port. The watch and chain were presented to the Master at the request of Colonel Mosby, United States Consul at Hongkong.

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